

WM. W. ASTOR DEAD.

The Head of a Family Which Is Fast Becoming Extinct Passes Away.

ILL SINCE WEDNESDAY.

He Was the First of His Kin or Set to Enter New York Politics.

LITERARY, ALSO IN HIS TASTES.

His Career Was Crowned by the Italian Mission Under Arthur.

TWO ELECTIONS FOR CONGRESS LOST

LONDON, July 11.—William Waldorf Astor, the head of the famous Astor family, died here to-day.

On Wednesday last he went on a boating trip for a portion of the day, and during the excursion sharp showers came on and he, with the other members of the party,



William Waldorf Astor.

was drenched. He returned home without giving very much thought to the incident, but during the evening he felt chilly and had violent pains in the lower portions of his back.

Sketch of the Deceased.

The head of the house of Astor, William Waldorf Astor, is the first of his name who has been at all prominent in public life and who has ventured into other domains than those of commerce and society. Like his father, John Jacob Astor, he is a man of large physique, although not handsome, of striking appearance.

Mr. Astor was born in New York City in March, 1818. His mother was Miss Gibbons, a daughter of a rich South Carolina merchant, and Mr. Astor was her only child. He is the direct lineal descendant of the first John Jacob Astor who founded the fortune of the family. William Waldorf Astor is the great-grandson of the original John Jacob Astor, his father having been the eldest son of William B. Astor, who in turn was the eldest son of the family's founder. The only remaining member of the original generation of the Astor family is William Astor.

From a boy he evinced literary tastes, and his mother's own predilections in this direction strongly influenced him. He attended all possible opportunities of education, and his early years were watched over with the most tender solicitude and affection by both his parents. He had tutors at home, and after a thorough preparation at the common school, entered the course at the Columbia law school, where he was graduated in 1874. He studied hard both in college and in the law school, and although not considered brilliant, ranked well and was highly esteemed by his instructors and fellow students.

He Enters the Legal Profession.

After leaving the law school he entered the law office of Lord, Day & Lord, one of the leading firms of the city, and there acquired a knowledge of office business which rounded his education. He was never prominent at the bar, but was chiefly employed in the preparation of cases in aid of his father in looking after the interests, especially from the legal side, of the vast estate which he was later called upon to administer. He was always an omnivorous reader, and it was shortly after his graduation from the law school that he began, with several young society friends, the publication of a small magazine. This was issued under the auspices of a small society, also organized by Mr. Astor and which met at regular intervals at the houses of its members. The magazine, the *Centennial Club*, for several articles which, although they had only a limited circulation, showed good thought and were highly commended by older men who had an opportunity of reading and examining the publication.

His mother's position as the virtual leader of New York society necessarily brought Mr. Astor into the midst of the gayeties of successive seasons. As the heir of the Astor millions he was naturally an object of interest to match-making mamma, but many a lady spread for him with the greatest care failed to secure him as a prize. He was not over fond of society, and his height made him appear somewhat awkward, while his near-sightedness also gave him the reputation of being shy and timid. He was not a general dancer, and seldom attempted the waltz, much less the more energetic polka, preferring always conversation with some man friend or some other woman.

Mr. Astor's Career in Politics.

Early in October, 1877, Mr. Astor was waited upon by a deputation of Republican friends and politicians, who urged him to accept the nomination for the Assembly in his district, the Eleventh. After some reflection and consultation with his parents he decided to accept, and was unanimously nominated on October 8, 1877. His candidacy was the beginning of the career of young men of wealth and social position in New York going into politics. Up to that time it had been considered not quite the thing, and for days after his nomination the clubs were stirred by the announcement that "Willie Astor was going to run for the Assembly." The district being naturally a Republican one and the name of Astor carrying weight, it is needless to say that the contest was not particularly difficult, and that Mr. Astor was elected by a good majority.

He served his term at Albany creditably, but his newness to politics and lack of experience in making on his feet did not render him particularly conspicuous during the session. He won the approval, however, of his constituents and of the public at large, voted right from the public standpoint on every important question and was pronounced a success. On October 16, 1878, he was tendered and accepted the nomination to the State senate, which was pronounced a success. His experience in the Assembly now began to bear fruit, and he made an excellent record in the more important body.

Some time before his election to the Senate he had conceived of a matrimonial interest to New York mamma, it having been reserved to a Philadelphia matron and her daughter to bear away. One of the most prominent families in the society of the Quaker City was the Pauleys, and the daughter, Miss Mary Pauley, who made her debut in the Centennial year, both from her family's position and her own beauty, became at once the acknowledged belle of Philadelphia and the bride of Mr. Astor in 1877. Three children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Astor—two boys and a girl—the eldest of whom, William Waldorf, is now about 27 years old.

He Falls to Enter Congress.

In 1880 Mr. Astor was nominated for Congress. His opponent on the Democratic side was Philip Henry Dugro, and although the district was largely Democratic and comparatively little money was spent, on one side at least, so firmly established was Mr. Astor's reputation and so energetic was his canvass that he was only defeated by a narrow majority of 14 votes. The defeat was so nearly a victory that he was the more willing to reënter the arena, which he did in the Ninth District, being nominated

on October 21, 1881. This contest, in which his opponent was Howell Pettebone Flower, was one of the most exciting ever held in a city district. Mr. Astor was defeated by about 3,000 majority.

But defeat in this memorable contest brought victory. The Republican party did not forget Mr. Astor's gallant fight, and in 1882 President Arthur tendered him the appointment of Minister to Italy, which he accepted. He sailed for Europe soon after, and for three years and until the appointment of his successor by President Cleveland, in 1885, represented the United States at the Italian Court.

Personal Characteristics of Mr. Astor.

William Waldorf Astor's chief characteristics were tenacity of purpose, strong will, literary tastes, domestic attachments and affection for his friends. His circle of intimate acquaintances was comparatively small, but those who knew him well are devoted to him, and he has the respect and esteem of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy: "I have seen its good results and can recommend it." For sale by druggists.

Occultation of Mars.

Position Assumed by the Heavenly Bodies Last Night.

What the astronomers term the occultation of Mars occurred last night about 12 o'clock. Mars is said to be in occultation when the moon passes between her and the earth, thus hiding her from view. This is the position assumed by these bodies last night, though it was not observable from Pittsburgh, owing to the fact that the moon was too low in the horizon. From most points from which the phenomena could be observed it required about an hour for the disc of the moon to pass over Mars. The occultation occurs at irregular intervals, and depends upon the changing of the orbits of the earth and Mars. Scarcely a year passes but that some of the larger planets are occulted. From the astronomer's point of view, however, these phenomena are of little importance.

Occultations of Jupiter and Uranus will take place this month, but the occurrences will not be visible from Pittsburgh.

Brought Back for Horse Stealing.

Special Officer Pat Corrigan will leave for Bridgeport, O., this morning to bring John Baker, who has been arrested there for horse stealing, back to Pittsburgh. On July 4 it is alleged that Baker stole a valuable horse from the stable of John Stumpf, the Thirty-first ward dairyman. Baker was arrested in Bridgeport yesterday by the marshal of the town.

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On Thursday next, July 14, via B. & O. R. R. Rate, \$10 the round trip, and tickets good 13 days. Trains leave Pittsburgh 8 A. M. and 6:30 P. M.

Out of town visitors—If you have a suit to be cleaned or pressed have them cleaned at Pfeiffer's, the men's clothing cleaning office, 442 Smithfield street, Pittsburgh, 100 Federal street, Allegheny. Tel. 1201, 3400.

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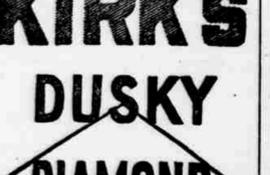
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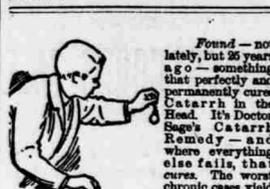
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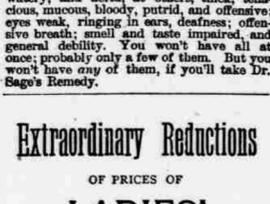
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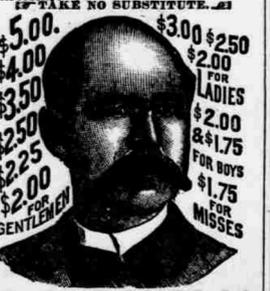
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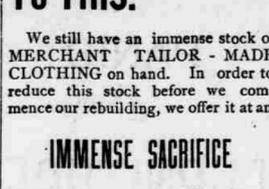
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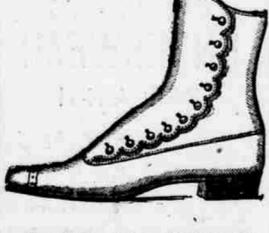
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